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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Boler et al. Attorney Docket No: MICR0259
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Bellevue, Washington 98004

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TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 21, 2005, applicants submit this response with a concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and request that the Examiner reconsider the above-identified application in view of the amendments and the Remarks that follow. The claims are amended as set forth below.